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TRANSMITTAL LETTER			Case No. 9281-4138
Serial No. 09/885,871	Filing Date June 20, 2001	Attention: Customer Service Center Initial Patent Examination Division	Group Art Unit 2652
Inventor(s) Masahiro Ooshima et al.			
Title of Invention Spin-Valve Type Thin Film Magnetic Element			

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Application.

Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

Petition for a _____ month extension of time.

No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

					Small Entity		Other Than Small Entity	
					Rate	Add'l Fee	Rate	Add'l Fee
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Indep.		Minus			x 40=		x \$80=	
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim					+\$135=		+\$270=	
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A check in the amount of \$____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

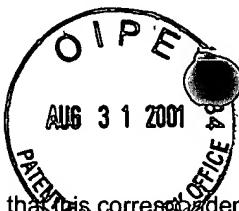
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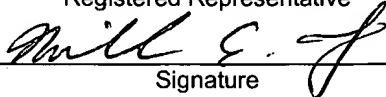


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Our Case No. 9281-9281-4138

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Masahiro Ooshima et al.)
Serial No. 09/885,871) Attention: Customer Service Center
Filing Date: June 20, 2001) Initial Patent Examination Division
For Spin-Valve Type Thin Film Magnetic Element)

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION
FILING DATE GRANTED**

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Filing Date Granted dated July 18, 2001, a copy of which is attached, enclosed herewith for filing are the following documents:

Fully executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application for the above-referenced patent application.

Applicant is:

- a small entity, verified statement is:
- attached
- already filed
- other than small entity

Checks totaling \$ 840 for:

Filing Fee of \$ 710

Surcharge of \$ 130

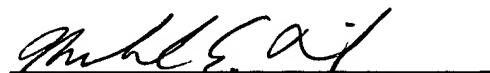
Additional Claim Fees of \$_____

Petition for Extension of Time (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)) to file missing parts (in duplicate).

Other: Assignment Recordal and Assignment

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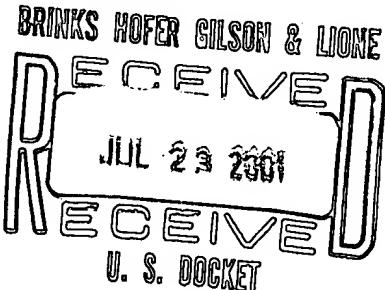


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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- o The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- o The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- o To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- o **The balance due by applicant is \$ 840.**

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE

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